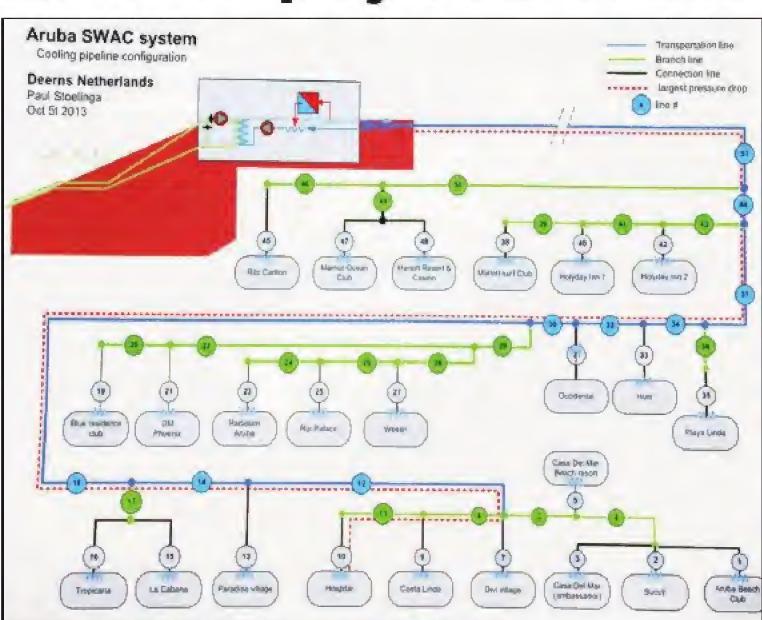
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## SWAC details a massive seawater project for Aruba





Project representatives with PM and Minister de Meza

ORANJESTAD -- A joint venture between two international companies, Capital Cooling of Denmark and Ecopower International, with local partners, Polytechnisch Ingenieursbureau or PIB, was originally presented last year at the Aruba Green Energy Conference. This renewable energy project for deploying cold seawater from the deep sea with the purpose of providing cooling for all the major island resorts sparked a great deal of inter-

ders Sjöholm and Ecopower International Director Gilbert Gouverneur were again on Aruba this week to detail their plan for Aruba Sea Water Air Conditioning, (SWAC). They welcomed several concerned parties, along with Prime Minister Mike Eman and Minister of Economic Affairs, Communications, Energy and Environ-

Aruba, by Urirama, to bring cold waters from 800 meters under the sea. The seawater would be brought to a cooling station, which transfers the coldness of freshwater Capital Cooling CEO Anthat circulates in a closed loop pipeline system. This chilled water (air conditioning service) is then provided to customer buildings. According to designing engineers the heat exchangers ensure that seawater and the freshwater delivered to the buildings never mix. The chilled freshwater is provided buildings customer through an underground disment, Mike de Meza, and tribution system connected to representatives of Aruba's each building's existing chilled water air conditioning system. The slightly warmed

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Leon Hamers. It entails plac-

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January 30.



## Bridgegate back to haunt White House hopeful Christie

NEW YORK (AFP) - New Jersey Governor Chris Christie knew more than he has admitted about a plot to close bridge lanes to spite a rival, US media reported Friday, in a new threat to his White House hopes.

Christie is a frontrunner for the Republican party's presidential candidacy, but his image as a blunt-spoken man of the people has been threatened by the Bridgegate political dirty tricks scandal.

In the latest twist Friday, the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal reported that a former local official has said that the order to close the bridge came from the "Christie adminstration."

David Wildstein, a former senior Port Authority official who had known Christie at high school, also said that Christie was aware of the 2016 lane closures as they were causing traffic chaos.

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## Digicel supports Tumba singer Mark Gonzales



Tonight the popular Mark Gonzalez will be participating in Aruba's 60th Carnaval's Tumba contest. Everyone is invited to go and support him and all the other participants. (see story on pg 2)



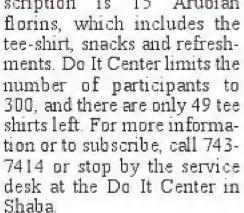


## Do It Center recruits for their 5th annual X-treme Bike Parade





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ORANJESTAD -- As a faithful friend of Special Olympics Aruba, the staff of Digicel always do their utmost to offer support to members of the Special Olympics foundation. Digicel again has the honor of standing by one of Aruba's Tumba Contests most enthusiastic participants to be held today, February 1st. This enthusiastic participant is none other than Mark Gonzalez!

Digicel is sponsoring his T-Shirt with a design dedicated to him on the front of the T-Shirt and the Digicel logo at the back. In this way Digicel is helping to prepare Mark to represent Aruba in this year's Tumba contest.

Mark, with a broad smile on his face presented his first T-Shirt to Remko van der Veldt at the office of Digical. General Manager of Digicel's operations on Aruba, van der Veldt and the great Digicel family invite the entire community of Aruba to come out and enjoy the Tumba Festival and come and support Mark Gonzalez.

Mark was originally not a sportsman, but it was his love for singing which brought him into the world of sports. His dream was to place his hands on his heart and sing the Aruba anthem in Beijing during the Special Olympics there. But when he found out 2 years before the event that it was impossible for a singer to travel with the delegation, he decided that he would practice a sport well enough to classify and still go the Games.

Mark succeeded to go to Beijing with the delegation. There he also won a medal and sang the Aruba Dushi Tera with great enthusiasm.

With this same dedication and determination he has trained for the Tumba Festival and expects to give a tremendous performance.

To Mark, sports and music compliment each other and brings much joy to he life.

Digicel wishes Mark and all the particpants good luck tonight!



SHABA -- The Do It Center in Shaba welcomed biking fanatics for their weekly Thursday night shopping night with a festive carnival atmosphere while conducting inscription for their annual Bike Parade. This is the first year it will take place at night, in celebration of their first lustrum of hosting the annual event, which melds carnival spirit with and activity encouraging families and groups to keep

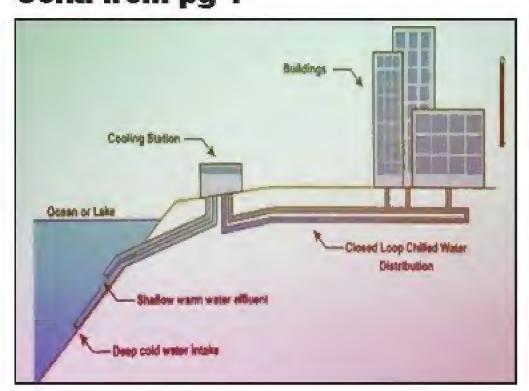
fit and exercise.

The actual rally will take place on Saturday evening, February 8, beginning at 6:30 PM, from the Do It Center Parking lot. Participants are encouraged to decorate their logo tee-shirts they received upon inscription in the most creative manner they can imagine. Past years have produced some beautiful results. Since it is a night parade, lights and glow gadgets are suggested. Prizes will be awarded for the Best Decoration and Most Animated Group.

The parade will pass from the store's parking lot to the Santa Ana intersection in Noord, turn towards Palm Beach and then left to Koyari, passing through the Hato and Tanki Flip rotundas to return to Do it Center. Popular band Youth Xtreme will accompany the parade. In-



## SWAC details a massive seawater project... Cont. from pg 1



Such a project has been operating successfully in Hawaii. The warmed seawater has also been deployed in establishing offshoot industries, such as agriculture and aquaculture. The naturally mineral-rich, sterile water provides an exceptional environment for growing fruits and vegetables that could not formally be cultivated on Aruba, as well as for fish and shrimp farms. According to the SWAC presentation, analysis by the University of Hawaii's Economic Research Organization has found NELHA, their deep water cooling facility, has provided economic output to the greater Hawaiian economy of \$88 million and provided 583 jobs in 2010. The sterile, mineral-rich water has also resulted in a highly successful bottled product, which has proven to be an export product that is in high demand.

Aruba's proposed \$100 million dollar project would be realized without any government funding; the only refrom Aruba's quest government by the parties involved, was cooperation and a timely issuance of the necessary pennits to begin and complete construction. The targeted area for deploying SWAC would be the western coast and resorts, from Divi Village at the start of the Juan Irausquin Boulevard to the Ritz Carlton in Palm Beach.

The giant pipelines to transport the cold waters would be placed underground further inland. The cold water piping also has an additional attribute, which is also considered a positive side effect, the formation of condensation on the cold pipes imbedded in a tropical climate. This would also naturally irrigate the land through which they are placed, encouraging plant growth, and consumable cultivation. It is the stated intention of the companies

involved to simultaneously work on plans for spin-off industries while the project is under construction.

Aruba's power provider, WEB, is industriously pursuing projects in line with the government's policy of Aruba becoming oil independent by 2020. Aruba already has a wind park at Vader Piet, and another has been proposed for Unirama. The solar energy park at the airport is under construction and WEB broke ground on a bio-gas plant to convert the refuse from the landfill into fuel. Engineers working with renewable energies are all aware of the weaknesses of solar and wind sources. The intermittencies induced by night or lack of wind require the backup of fuel produced energy. A deep water source has none of these weaknesses, and can be relied upon 100% of the time.

Another environmental advantage would be the elimination of air conditioning units that deploy refrigerant gases, with possible leaks despoiling the environment, along with their disposal. There will also no longer be a necessity for these unattractive additions to be placed on the buildings, nor their maintenance.

Projected timeline for the SWAC facility would involve breaking ground this year, with completion in 2016. The chief purpose of the presentation was to acquaint the concerned stakeholders with the plan, and to encourage investors. For full information on the companies involved and the benefits of this project, their presentation at the Green Aruba Energy Conference of 2013 can be reviewed online http://www.greenaruba.org/pdf /presentations/2012/Dalin-FINAL%20ARUBA%20SW AC%20GreenAruba%202012.

By Rosalie Klein



## Don't risk losing your car number! Last day to pay car number tax for 2014 is **February 17**

ORANJESTAD -- The Tax Department wishes to inform the community that February 17th, is the last day to pay motor vehicle tax for 2014. As of February 18th everyone who has not paid up and are driving their motor vehicles on the public roads are doing this against the law and are running the risk of getting a fine from the police. Besides this they also are running the risk of losing their motor vehicle number plate.

The Tax Office reserves everyone's number as long as possible. But if they run out of numbers for new clients they will then start using the numbers that are not paid as yet. For the client that has not paid their motor vehicle tax on time the risk of losing their number gets bigger as there are many new clients waiting for numbers.

Make Payments

Payments can be made at the bank or at the Tax Office itself One can pay at the Tax Office in Camacuri or at one of the government auxiliary offices in San Nicolas, Santa Cruz, Savaneta or Paradera.

Up until February 14th the Tax Department's main office will be open non-stop from 7:45 am - 3:30 p.m. The Government offices will also remain open thru midday until 2:45 p.m. One can pay

the motor vehicle tax and pick up their number plate on Saturday's also in February. (Feb. 1, 8, 15th).

To receive the number plate one must have proof of payment: 1. receipt or a printout of payment done online.

2. Original proof of a valid car insurance (If it's a copy it must have an original stamp of the insurance company or broker)

Clients who pay at the Tax

Department office can pick up their number immediately.

Clients who pay at the government office at San Nicolas can pick up their number plates right away at Camacuri or make an appointment with the cashier to pick up their number at a later date, which will take one week!

Clients who pay via the bank can pick up their numbers after three working days.





## Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort Spa & Casino Earns Place on U.S. News & World Report's List of the Best Hotels in Aruba



Washington, D.C. — Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort Spa & Casino has received recognition as one of the 2014 "Best Hotels in Aruba" by U.S. News & World Report. The 2014 Best Hotels rankings are available online at http://travel.usnews.com/.

The 2014 Best Hotels recognize hotels that were ranked based on an unbiased methodology that includes the collective opinion of travel experts and guests, expressed through online reviews and ratings.

To create this year's rankings, U.S. News factored in the prominence of industry awards a hotel receives along with its reputation among travel experts and guests. In total, 1,693 U.S. hotels, 271 Caribbean hotels, 342 Mexican hotels and 223 Canadian hotels were evaluated for the

2014 rankings.

Hotels named "Best" in their destination are typically the properties that have ranked the top 30 percent of U.S. News-evaluated properties in that region. A smaller, more selective group of hotels that are ranked in the top 10 percent of all ranked luxury hotels in the United States, the Caribbean, Mexico or Canada received a "Best Hotels in the USA," "Best Hotels in the Caribbean," "Best Hotels in Mexico" or "Best Hotels in Canada" award, depending on their location.

"We are excited to be ranked as one of the best hotels in the Caribbean by U.S. News & World Report for the second year in a row," said Fred Hoffmann, General Manager of Hyatt Regency Aruba. "The 'Best Hotel in

Aruba' accolade shows that our continued commitment to enhancing the resort and providing our guest with the best possible experience has paid off and that people are noticing the exceptional product."

"The 2014 Best Hotels were selected because they meet the highest standards of travel experts and guests alike," said Miriam Weiner, travel editor for U.S. News. "These properties are renowned in the travel industry for their luxury amenities and quality customer service."

The U.S. News rankings of the 2014 Best Hotels can be found online here: http://travel.usnews.com/Ho-

For more information about the Hyatt Regency Aruba call 1-800-55-HYATT or visit:

www.aruba.hyatt.com.

#### **Weather Update Aruba**



WEATHER:

PARTLY CLOUDY TO MOSTLY SUNNY AND NO SIG-NIFICANT RAINFALL IS EX-PECTED.

MAXIMUM TEMPERA-TURE 30 CENTIGRADE / MINI-

MUM TEMPERATURE 25 CENTIGRADE.

SUNRISE 07:06 AM SUNSET 06:42 PM.
WIND: FRESH TO STRONG WINDS DIRECTION

EAST AVERAGE 19 KTS GUSTING UP TO 29 KTS.

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FRESH TO STRONG WINDS DURING THE WEEKEND.
WEATHER IS GENERALLY DRY BUT SOMETIMES
SPORADIC RAINCLOUDS MAY CROSS OUR AREA
AND CAN CAUSE A SHORT SHOWER MAINLY AFTER
MIDNIGHT AND EARLY MORNING HOURS.

THE RAINFALL AMOUNT IS NOT SIGNIFICANT.

MARINE CONDITIONS: WAVE DIRECCION WILL

BE NORTHEAST WITH WAVE-HEIGHTS BETWEEN 6

TO 9 FEET.

#### USE CAUTION OVER OPEN WATERS.

EXPECTATIONS FOR THE WEEKEND AND THE BEGINNING OF NEXT WEEK: WEATHER PARTLY CLOUDY TO MOSTLY SUNNY.

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by Psychologist Tony A.D. Green

You may not know it, but leaving a job can be one of the toughest career decisions a person can ever make…especially in today's difficult job market! Walking away from a steady job is a mighty big risk. However, sometimes walking away from a job may be the very best move if you are not fulfilled at what you're doing, or if the problems are too big to handle. Sometimes quitting a job may actually be a great career

One thing is for sure, there will never be a right moment to quit. So, if you are waiting for that right time to quit, stop, there is no such time! Every month that you stay on longer, makes it more difficult to actually make the move. Go whenever your gut tells you to go...and it will tell you, believe me! Quitting your job may actually help you to start a career you really and truly enjoy! Well, if you're ready to go for it, let me give you a few tips to help you make the move successfully. As you say goodbye to your job, you must consider the following things

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## So...You want to quit your job!

Here are some tips to prepare you

(don't say that I didn't tell ple who work there, etc.

A. Do some research: No matter what you're looking to do after you leave your job, it is important to be as knowledgeable as possible about your new career or new job. Be prepared, read as much as you can about the field you want to go into. The internet will be very helpful along this line. Take all the time you need and be thorough about your search. You want to make dead sure that you will not have any regrets later on. Talk to as many people as possible about the best way to enter the new career. People will give you insights you may never think about yourself. If it is just a new job you're looking at, find out everything you possibly can about the company, peo-

B. Have a safety net: If you don't have a new job all lined up the minute you say goodbye to your current job. it may take some time before you finally find that next job. In Aruba today, finding a job is no easy feat...it may take a while before you find one. Hence, my advice to you is make sure you have a decent savings to keep you going in the meantime. You should plan on having at least enough savings to keep your living expenses covered for at least six months. Having such a safety net will take the pressure off of making a rash decision about that next job and will also keep you better focused rather than having to pursue income sources just to get by until you find that new

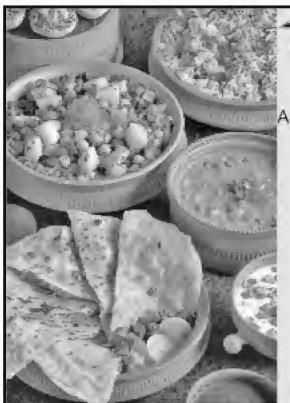
C. Expect an abrupt transition: Many people, here in Aruba too, are stuck in mediocre jobs, and suddenly deciding to leave is very common. Leaving your current job abruptly is tough but it is often the only way for some people to switch careers or jobs. The job you now have may just be holding you back from going to that next level of success. You may be expenencing emotional and psychological stress from your current job, making it impossible for you to achieve your life's goals. If you must quite abruptly, go ahead, don't worry. If you don't find exactly what you want to do, try taking an internship or something part time until you find the right job...just don't hurry into something you will regret

later on.

D. Have clear goals: To just walk away from a steady job doesn't solve your problem, necessarily. This is why it is very important that you have clear goals as to what you really want to do; and, how you intend to achieve your goals...before you leave your current job. Goals are very important! So, be sure you have clear goals before you make any decision.

E. Get ready for new challenges: While quitting your job may be a smart move, it does not mean that it will be an easy move. Moving to another job or career will mean an encounter with new challenges...are you ready for these challenges? At the new job or career, you may have to work harder with less encouragement and support. So, get ready for the changes and challenges. It also be very exciting...so, go ahead and take the leap!

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## Next Iran nuclear talks set for February 18 in Vienna

MUNICH (AFP) - World powers will hold their next talks on Tehran's contested nuclear programme February 18, top Iranian and European Union diplomats agreed during Friday talks. In an initial accord in November, Iran agreed with the five permanent members of the UN Security Council -- Britain, China, France, Russia and the United States -- plus Germany (a group known as E3+3) that it would open up its nuclear programme so as to allay fears it was seeking atomic weapons.

In return, the world powers agreed to a progressive lifting of tough sanctions that have caused immense damage to the Iranian economy.

EU foreign affairs chief Catherine Ashton, who has led the international nuclear talks with Iran, said she had a "really interesting" meeting with Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif on the sidelines of the Munich Security Conference

Speaking about the upcoming talks to be held in Vienna in just over two weeks, Ashton added: "I very much look forward to working together with you then."

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#### French president warns over Cameron's EU plans

BRIZE NORTON (AFP) French President Francois
Hollande dealt a blow Friday
to Prime Minister David
Cameron's hopes of renegotiating Britain's membership of
the EU before a referendum
in 2017, saying treaty change
was "not a priority".

At an Anglo-French summit held at an airbase in Oxfordshire, west of London, Hollande indicated he might be open to treaty change in the future to ensure the eurozone was "better coordinated".

But he noted that any major treaty change could require a referendum in France and said: "We feel that revising the treaty is not a priority for the time being."

Under pressure from eurosceptics in his Conservative party, Cameron has promised to renegotiate Britain's position in the EU and put the new deal to a referendum after the next election in 2015.

Hollande told a joint press conference that he "perfectly respected" Britain's right to hold a vote, but said: "We can't impose the British choice on Europe."

Cameron said he remained optimistic of achieving the changes he wanted and British officials say the fact France is even considering treaty change is progress.

The prime minister said:
"My position absolutely remains that we want to see those changes, we want that renegotiation.

"That renegotiation will involve elements of treaty change, and then there will be a referendum in Britain before the end of 2017."

He later revealed he is prepared to invoke a rarely-used law in order to force through parliament a bill guaranteeing an "in/out" referendum in Britain by 2017, after the upper House of Lords killed off legislation backed by his Conservatives.

Cameron said his party will reintroduce the bill once the next parliamentary session begins in May -- and he pledged to invoke the Parliament Act, which enforces the supremacy of the lower House of Commons, if it is blocked by the Lords again.

Hollande and Cameron continued their debate about EU reform during a "convivial" lunch at the nearby Swan Inn, a riverside pub dating back to 1885 which has featured in hit TV series "Downton Abbey", British officials said.

Despite their political differences, the two leaders used their first Anglo-French summit since Hollande's election in 2012 to further cement bilateral cooperation on defence, nuclear energy and space exploration.

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## Snowden, Ashton, Kosovo and Serb **PMs** proposed for Nobel



BRUSSELS (AFP) - Fugitive NSA contractor Edward Snowden, top EU diplomat Catherine Ashton and the premiers of Kosovo and Serbia were proposed for this year's Nobel peace award by European Greens and Socialist leaders Friday.

Snowden, currently in hiding in Russia, was officially named by the Greens group in the European Pasliament in honour of "his contribution to the protection of our universal rights, including the right to privacy and freedom of expression".

The names of Ashton, along with Serbian Prime Minister Ivica Dacic and his Kosovo counterpart Hashim Thaci, were personally put forward by the president of the powerful Socialists and Democrats group in the parliament. Hannes Swoboda.

Ashton brokered a groundbreaking agreement between the two last year aimed at closing the door on tension in the Balkans.

Both premiers have been linked to trouble in the wars that followed the break-up of the former Yugoslavia, Dacic as former spokesman for the late Slobodan Milosevic and Thaci as a one-time guerrilla fighter named in criminal probes including organ trafficking during the war.

Swoboda said they should be given the Nobel "not only as a reward for the progress achieved already, but also as a motivation, possibly as the last push that is needed for lasting peace."

Deadlines for nominations for the prestigious peace award are February 1, more than eight months before the announcement of the laureate.



## rescues freezing immigrants, arrests 15

ROME (AFP) - Italy's coast guard said Thursday it rescued overmight 176 immigrants freezing on a small boat and arrested 15 crew on a nearby mothership on human smuggling charges.

Italy

175

crew

The refugees, who included six children, came mostly from Syria, Egypt and Iraq. All were in good health except for one suffering hypothermia.

The northern winter has done little to stem the flow of clandestine immigrants crossing the Mediterranean and trying to reach Europe.

Italy, one of the main landing points, launched a military and humanitarian operation to deal with the influx in October, after hundreds of migrants drowned in two shipwreck tragedies near the island of Lamp edusa.

Since then, it has saved more than \$,000 people from the sea, the defence ministry said last week.

## **Dutch cities wants cannabis cultivation** decriminalised

THE HAGUE (AFP) Dutch cities called Friday for the government to decriminalise cannabis cultivation and wholesale, which remain illegal despite easy access to the drug in hundreds of licenced coffee shops.

Eight of the Netherlands' 10 biggest cities, including Amsterdam and Rotterdam, signed a manifesto in central city Utrecht calling for "creating a national system of certified and regulated cannabis cultivation," they said in a statement.

Although cannabis is technically still illegal in the Netherlands, the country in 1976 decriminalised possession of less than five grammes (around a sixth of an ounce) and it is widely available over the counter in coffee shops.

However, growing and selling any quantity over five grammes is illegal, meaning the cultivation and wholesale of cannabis is in the hands of organised crime.

Critics say government policy is hypocritical because it obliges coffee shop owners to buy their supplies from criminals.

The government reaps hundreds of thousands of euros (dollars) a year in taxes from coffee shops, Dutch media reported.



The Dutch finance ministry told AFP that it could not say how much money it made from licenced coffee shops.

"We want cannabis cultivation to be regulated so the national market is manageable and more transparent, and to decrease the influence of organised crime," said the manifesto, signed by 35 municipal councils.

"Organised crime supplies the coffee shops," it said.

The manifesto, entitled "Joint Regulation" and supported by renowned Dutch politician and former defence minister Frits Bolkestein, also calls for better quality control of cannabis and safety norms for decriminalised weed plan-

"Virtually all illegal plantations are fire risks," the cities said, citing a report saying that a quarter of fires in Dutch

urban areas are connected to the lighting and electrics of illegal cannabis plantations.

The seat of government, The Hague, and Almere, east of Amsterdam, are the only big cities not to have signed the manifesto.

Justice Minister Ivo Opstelten rejected the proposals: "I really don't think this is the solution," the Liberal minister told Dutch public television.

"Mayors just have to learn to live with it," he said.

He said that the proposed measures would not resolve the problem, claiming that around 80 percent of cannabis grown in the Netherlands is for export.

Opstelten has offered to help municipalities to resolve problems of criminality related to cannabis in a different way, notably with more police.

The minister has previously said that international treaties would prevent the government getting involved in cannabis cultivation in any way.

The town councils noted that Uruguay last year became the first country to oversee the production and sale of marijuana, while US states Colorado and Washington in January legalised recreational cannabis shops.



## Vodka key to Russian men's high death rate

PARIS (AFP) - Vodka was a key contributor to the high death rate of Russian men under 55, according to researchers who highlighted the near-immediate, life-extending benefits of cutting back.

Overall, a quarter of Russian men die before the age of 55. The equivalent death rate of British men was about seven percent.

For the study, researchers asked 151,000 Russians how much vodka they drank and then followed them for up to ten years, during which period 8,000 died.

Using a subgroup of some 57,000 men, all smokers, the team then determined "higher risks of death" among those who drank three or more half-litre bottles of vodka per week, than those who drank less than a bottle.

The death rate among 35-54-year-olds was 16 percent for less than a bottle a week, 20 percent for one to 2.9 bottles, and 35 percent for three or more bottles per week.

The causes for the excess mortality were mainly alcohol poisoning, accidents, violence, suicide and diseases like cancer.

It found that health policy was also a factor -- under restrictions imposed by Mikhail Gorbachev alcohol consumption and death rates fell about 25 percent, rising again after the collapse of communism.

Study leader David Zaridze from the Russian Cancer Research Centre in Moscow said this finding illustrated that "people who drink spirits in hazardous ways greatly reduce their risk of premature death as soon as they stop".

In a comment on the study, Juergen Rehm from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health in Toronto said the volume of alcohol consumed in Russia on its own could not explain the higher mortality.

"It is the combination of high overall volume with the specific pattern of episodic binges," he said.

"Since the average live expectancy from birth for men in Russia is still only 64 years, ranking among the lowest 50 countries in the world, more effective alcohol and tobacco policy measures are urgently needed."



## Sun Safety for Kids



We all need some sun exposure; it's our primary source of vitamin D, which helps us absorb calcium for stronger, healthier bones. But it doesn't take much time in the sun for most people to get the vitamin D they need, and repeated unprotected exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays can cause skin damage, eye damage, immune system suppression, and skin cancer. Most kids rack up a lot of their lifetime sun exposure before age 18, so it's important that parents teach their children how to enjoy fun in the sun safely. With the right precautions, you can greatly reduce your child's chance of developing skin cancer.

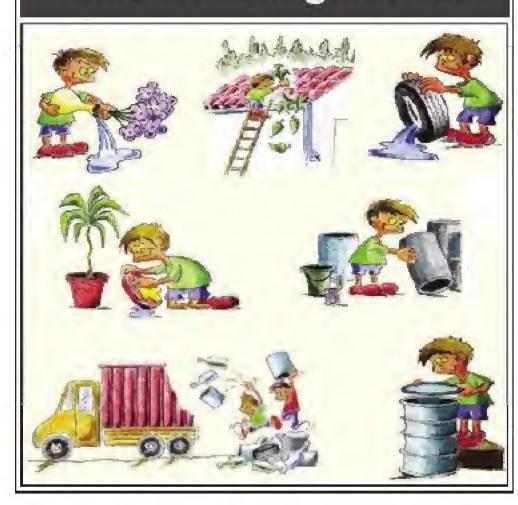
- Avoid the Strongest Rays of the Day: First, seek shade when the sun is at its highest overhead and therefore strongest (usually 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the northern hemisphere). If kids must be in the sun between these hours, be sure to apply and reapply protective sunscreen — even if they're just playing in the backyard. Most sun damage occurs as a result of incidental exposure during day-to-day activities, not at the beach. Even on cloudy, cool, or overcast days, UV rays travel through the clouds and reflect off sand, water, and even concrete.

- Cover Up: One of the best ways to protect your family from the sun is to cover up and shield skin from UV rays. Ensure that clothes will screen out harmful UV rays. Because infants have thinner skin and underdeveloped melanin, their skin burns more easily than that of older kids. But sunscreen should not be applied to babies under 6 months of age, so they absolutely must be kept out of the sun whenever possible.

 Use Sunscreen Consistently: Lots of good sunscreens are available for kids, including formulations for sensitive skin, brands with fun scents like watermelon, longlasting waterproof and sweat-proof versions, and easy-application varieties in spray bottles. What matters most in a sunscreen is the degree (SPF) of protection from UV rays it provides.

- Use Protective Eyewear for Kids: Sun exposure damages the eyes as well as the skin. Even 1 day in the sun can result in a burned cornea. Cumulative exposure can lead to cataracts, later in life. The best way to protect eyes is to wear sunglasses. Not all sunglasses provide the same level of ultraviolet protection; darkened plastic or glass lenses without special UV filters just trick the eyes into a false sense of safety. Purchase sunglasses with labels ensuring that they provide 100% UV protection.

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# Twitter gets 900 patents, ends dispute with IBM

NEW YORK (AFP) - Twitter has acquired more than 900 patents from computing giant IBM, ending a dispute between the two companies, a joint announcement said Friday.

The statement said the two firms entered into a patent cross-license agreement as part of a deal giving the patents to the messaging platform.

"This acquisition of patents from IBM and licensing agreement provides us with greater intellectual property protection and gives us freedom of action to innovate on behalf of all those who use our service," said Ben Lee, legal director for Twitter.

IBM's Ken King said the agreement "illustrates the value of patented IBM inventions and demonstrates our commitment to licensing access to our broad patent portfolio."

Last year, as Twitter was preparing its anticipated public offering, it revealed that IBM was alleging that the microblogging service infringed on IBM patents.

Twitter said at the time it believed it had "menitorious defenses" to the allegations.

The agreement comes amid a series of legal disputes involving some of the world's biggest technology firms over patent rights, and a political debate in Washington on patent reform.

Twitter shares rose 1.2 percent to \$64.28 in midday trade, while IBM fell 0.55 percent to \$176.39.

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## Canada captured data from airport travelers via Wifi: report

OTTAWA (AFP) - As a trial run for the NSA and other foreign intelligence agencies, Canadian intelligence collected data from Canadian travelers who passed through major airports and connected to Wifi services and could then be tracked for days, CBC reported Thursday.

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation said documents leaked by fugitive NSA contractor Edward Snowden show that Communications Security Establishment Canada (CSEC) could follow the movements of Canadians who passed through airports and connected to Wifi systems with mobile phones, tablets and laptops.

The document shows the agency could track the travellers for a week or more as they and their wireless devices showed up in other Wi-Fi "hot spots" in cities across Canada and even at US airports.

That included people visiting other airports, hotels, coffee shops and restaurants, libraries and ground transportation hubs and other places with public wireless internet access.

Under Canadian law, the spy agency's mission is to collect primarily foreign intelligence by intercepting overseas phone and Internet traffic. It is barred from targeting Canadians or anyone in Canada without a ju-

dicial warrant.

In recent months the agency has been accused of acting inside Canada.

It is alleged to have helped the NSA by providing intelligence during a G-20 summit in Toronto in 2010.

The report on the airport intervention contradicts statements by CSEC chief John Forster, who recently said "protecting the privacy of Canadians is our most important principle."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper appointed an independent investigator to make sure the CSEC was complying with the law.

CBC said the spy agency was testing a powerful new software it had developed with the NSA.

CBC said the technology was introduced in 2012 and is now fully operational.



## Katy Perry rides closer to 50 mn mark on Twitter



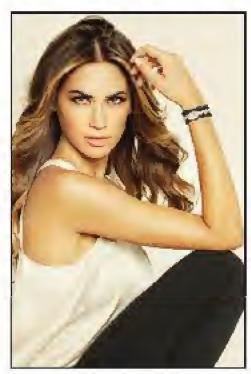
WASHINGTON (AFP) - Pop star Katy Perry was on the threshold Thursday of becoming the first person ever to have more than 50 million followers on Twitter. Twitter Counter, a service for tracking Twitter usage, predicted that Perry, 29, whose "Dark Horse" featuring Juicy J is atop this week's Billboard Hot 100 singles chart, would roar through the 50 million barrier sometime Friday. On Thursday, her @katyperry account claimed 49,989,780 followers. "Crazy, isn't it?" said Twitter Counter in an email, adding that Perry -- who tweets regularly to her fans, but follows only 130 people herself -- "never really shared her Twitter milestones."

## Rockers Motley Crue announce retirement tour



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Veteran US rockers Motley Crue announced their retirement on Tuesday, unveiling plans for one last tour before they thrash into the sunset next year. The Los Angeles-based band, together for over three decades, will play 72 dates in North America starting in July before continuing the appropriately named Final Tour internationally next year. The four-piece band -- singer Vince Neil, guitarist Mick Mars, bassist Nikki Sixx and drummer Tommy Lee -- was formed in 1981, and they have sold over 80 albums globally, had six top 20 singles and three Grammy nominations. Their last album, "Saints of Los Angeles," was released in 2008.

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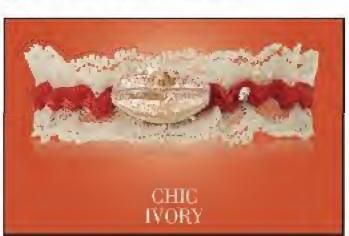
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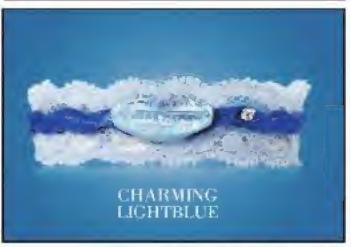
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## Dutch Single parents on welfare benefits 'won't have to apply for jobs'

THE HAGUE - The government has agreed to drop plans to force single mothers with young children and on welfare benefits to apply for jobs.

Kees van der Staaij, leader of the orthodox Christian party SGP, broke the news during a debate organised by the religious paper Nederlands Dagblad. Talks between junior social affairs minister Jetta Klijnsma and opposition parties on reaching a compromise on the reforms are currently ongoing.

Klijnsma wants to shake up the welfare system by making to accept to sure claimants are actively part of the looking for work and introducing work for welfare struction'. The talks support of opposition parties next week.

to get the changes through the upper house of parliament, where the government does not have a majority.

Compromises

The SGP, Christen Unie and the Liberal democrats D66 have already worked with the cabinet on several compromises.

'This was important for us,' Van der Staaij said. 'These parents must be able to choose to look after their children.' D66 leader Alexander Pechtold, who believes single mothers should work, said the decision to accept the compromise is part of the 'give and take' needed in this 'special construction'.

The talks are set to continue next week

## Dutch Health insurance could cost €200 more next year, ministers

THE HAGUE - Unions and employers say healthcare premiums could rise by €200 next year because of changes in long-term care funding.

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They've written to health minister Edith Schippers warning her of the implications of government policy which includes shifting long-term care from a separate fund to the general health insurance system.

The health ministry said in a statement it is currently investigating the likely impact of the change on next year's premiums. 'Premiums are dependent on many factors,' a spokesman told Nos television.

The change still has to be passed by both houses of parliament and there are doubts if the cabinet will win majority support in the upper house of parliament.

## IMF warns over impact of global market turmoil

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The International Monetary Fund on Friday warned emerging economies to shore up their defenses amid challenging global turmoil that has sparked a broad-based sell-off in financial markets.

An IMF spokesperson said they could not find a single trigger for the turnoil, but also appeared to warn central banks generally to be cautious about tightening monetary conditions.

"Many emerging economies, along with other asset classes, have come under renewed market pressure in recent days," the spokesperson said in an emailed statement.

"While it is difficult to pinpoint a single trigger for the sell-off, the turbulence underscores the challenging situation that many countries face as a result of tighter external financing conditions, slower growth, and softer commodity prices."

The IMF noted that several countries had responded "forcefully", not mentioning any by name but apparently referring to sharp interest rate hikes by the central banks of South Africa and Turkey, asmed at stabilizing their sinking currencies and stemming capital flight.

However, the spokesman said, 'the turbulence highlights the need for coherent macroeconomic and financial policies, good communication, and, in some cases, the need for urgent policy action to improve fundamentals and policy

credibility."

Moreover, the spokesperson added, "The turbulence also underscores the need for vigilance among central banks over liquidity conditions in international capital markets."

Many officials in emerging market economies have pointed a finger at the US Federal Reserve's cuts to its stimulus program for sending US dollar interest rates high and provoking a strong, sustained outflow from stocks and currencies in those countries.

Speaking on Bloomberg TV, on Thursday India's central bank chief Raghuram Rajan assailed the Fed and central banks at other leading economies for not weighing the impact of monetary tightening on developing economies.

## Cuba, Venezuela further strengthen economic ties

HAVANA (AFP) - Cuba and Venezuela have moved to further strengthen economic ties, approving some 56 joint projects for this year valued at more than \$1.2 billion, Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro has announced.

In an interview with Cuban state television late Thursday, Maduro said the agreements signed were in the areas of health, agriculture, energy, education and sport.

Venezuela is already by far Cuba's number one economic partner, accounting for 40 percent of the island's foreign trade.

It supplies Cuba with 100,000 barrels of oil a day at preferential terms, providing half its energy needs.

It is also the top client for services exported by Havana, including about 40,000 Cuban doctors and care professionals working in Venezuela. Cuba and Venezuela "are building an economic zone along with ALBA," Maduro said, referring to a bloc of eight left-leaning Latin American countries led by Caracas.

Maduro was in Cuba for a summit of the Community of Latin America and Caribbean States, another Venezuelan initiative that drew leaders and representatives of 33 countries to a two-day gathering in Havana.

## Israel concerned at growing boycott threat

JERUSALEM (AFP) - Israeli government and business leaders are alarmed by a growing international boycott movement and the likely effect of EU measures against exports from Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank.

Cabinet ministers are to meet next week to hammer out a strategy against a growing international campaign to boycott trade linked to settlements, Haaretz newspaper reported Friday.

And a group of top Israeli businesspeople has launched a publicity campaign urging Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to make peace with the Palestinians for the sake of the economy.

In the latest developments, Norway's sovereign wealth fund blacklisted Thursday two Israeli companies involved in building settlements in Israelioccupied east Jerusalem and US actress Scarlett Johansson stepped down as Oxfam ambassador amid a storm over her ad campaign for a firm operating in a settlement in the occupied West Bank.

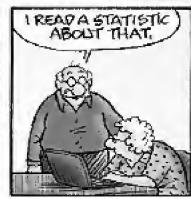
These incidents highlight the creeping success of a campaign to boycott trade linked to settlements built on Palestinian land seized during the Six Day War of 1967, and viewed by the international community as illegal.



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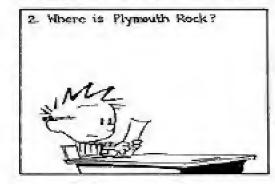
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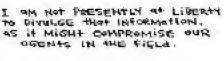




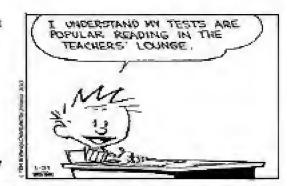


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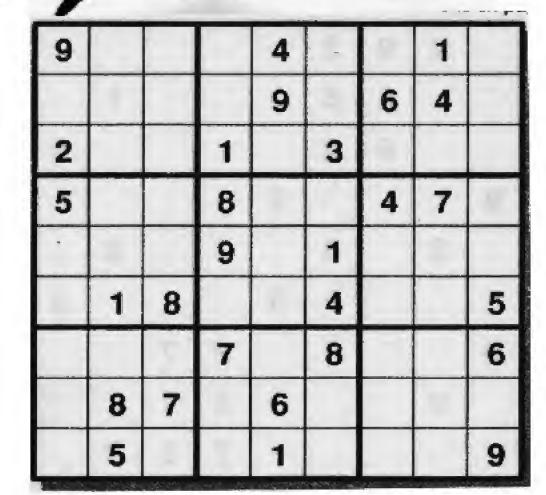
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Le Petit Cafe is particularly well known for its "Land and Sea" specialty, filet mignon and lobster tail; a gournnet treat when served in their signature fashion. The restaurant also offers a diverse menu of pastas and tempting gournnet appetizers such as seafood crepes, crispy calamari, and escargot. For family members in the mood for something different there are several dishes to choose from, such as chicken parmesan, so a large family with different ideas of what they want for dinner can easily be accommodated.

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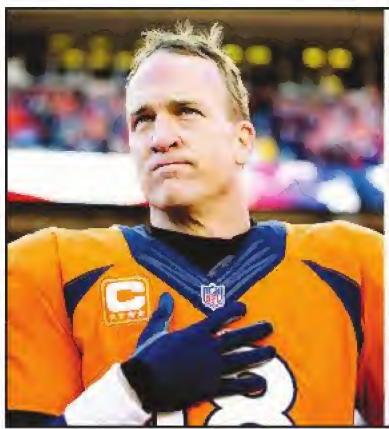
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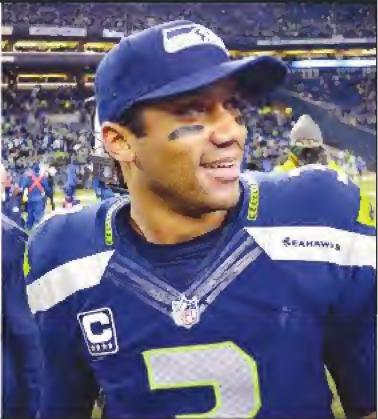
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## Super Bowl coaches see unlikely hero in big game





NEW YORK (AFP) - For all the talk of Denver's record-setting offense and Seattle's toprated defense, coaches in Super Bowl 48 say an unlikely hero could decide the winner in Sunday's championship spectacle.

"Star players have to play big but there always seems to be an unknown guy who makes a big play," Denver coach John Fox said.

Fox and Seahawks coach Pete Carroll made their last public comments Friday ahead of the National Football League showdown at East Rutherford, New Jersey, in the first outdoor Super Bowl in a cold-weather city.

A week of pre-game hype has centered on Denver quarterback Peyton Manning, who

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set one-season NFL records for passing touchdowns and yardage in an attack that produced a record 606 points, and a Seattle defense that led the NFL in forcing turnovers and denying points and yardage.

"It's a logical matchup. I really don't think that's what (the difference maker) is going to be," Carroll said. "There are going to be a lot of guys battling. We do have this enormous challenge with all that Peyton has accomplished and nobody has been able to slow him down."

Fox is hoping that continues on Sunday, with warming forecasts calling for mild winds and no rain or snow making the day easier for offenses, defenses and the kicking special teams.

"Both sides have been fairly historic in what we have accomplished," Fox said. "I've got great pride in what our offense has done but it's a team game. There are three phases of the game. It's about who performs them best and executes the best."

Denver has only a handful of players with Super Bowl experience and Manning, 37, is the only player in the game with a prior Super Bowl win. No player on a young Seattle squad played in a Super Bowl.

"The whole buildup, knowing it's a global event on gameday, adds to the challenge for us to reach out there for it," Carroll said.

"With a young team it was important to be quiet and listen and learn and be ready for the moments that would come. We have been preparing for this moment for years.

"Being here and handling it well is a statement that they have been listening and they understand the humility and handle it well. I'm excited to see how they handle it on gameday after the long journey we have had."

Fox is cautious about the protection Manning needs and the coverage his favorite receivers will face.

"They have outstanding pass rushers. They have rushers that cause havoc," Fox said. "They have a great secondary, probably the best in the league. The speed and athleticism, that's what sticks out to me."

But Fox sayd Manning is ready for his chance to become the first starting quarterback to win the Super Bowl with two different teams.

"He has tremendous leadership moments," Fox said. "He has got unbelievable work ethic and I think that's contagious. He is very level-headed and loose right now as we expect all our players to be."

John Elway, the Denver team operations director who quarterbacked thre Broncos to 1998 and 1999 Super Bowl wins in the team's last trip to the big game, made a rare speech to the team after a preseason loss to Seattle that still resonates with the Broncos.

"Hopefully he pissed them off a little bit," Fox said. "It shook them up, woke them up. We came back a little grittier."

Both teams will practice at the stadium on the eve of the Super Bowl after a week of workouts indoors and outside.

"Practices have gone very well," said Carroll. "The practice set-up has been ideal and the players are ready to go.

"The trophy really does symbolize the ultimate challenge in our sport. It's a tremendous honor and a tremendous opportunity and challenge to all of us."

"There can only be one happy camper at the end of it," Fox said. "And that's the team hoisting the trophy."



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#### Super Bowl XLVIII Briefs:



NEW YORK (AFP): A Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Blackhawk helicopter flies past MetLife Stadium ahead of Super Bowl XLVIII Friday in East Rutherford, New Jersey. Helicopters flown by "air interdiction agents" from the CBP's Office of Air and Marine (OAM), are providing air support for Super Bowl XLVIII between the Denver Broncos and the Seattle Seahawks this Sunday.



NEW YORK CITY (AFP): Seattle Seahawks fans pose with a 12th man flag as they visit Times Square yesterday in New York City. Broadway has temporarily been renamed Super Bowl Boulevard as the city prepares for Sunday's game between the Denver Broncos and Seattle Seahawks.



NEW YORK CITY (AFP): Denver Broncos' fans enjoy festivities in Times Square yesterday in New York City. Broadway has temporarily been re-named Super Bowl Boulevard as the city prepares for Sunday's game between the Denver Broncos and Seattle Seahawks.



## NFL: Broncos face Seahawks In chilly Super Bowl 48

NEW YORK (AFP) Denver's Peyton Manning is hoping to cap a record-setting season with a historic victory in Sunday's Super Bowl 48 over a Seattle squad determined to spoil his dreams of a fairytale moment.

The Broncos' star 37-yearold quarterback set National Football League season records with 5,477 passing yards and 55 passing touchdowns, sparking Denver to a record 606 points and meaning they go into the weekend action as slight favorites.

"He has built this unbelievable legacy and he is one of the best -- if not the best -- quarterbacks to ever play the game," Seattle's Russell Wilson said of his opposite number.

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The Seahawks counter with the NFL's top-rated defense -the self-styled "Legion of Boom" -- which forced a leagueleading 39 turnovers, and a balanced attack powered by running back Marshawn Lynch and run-pass threat Wilson.

The showdown at the 80,000 MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, New Jersey, will be the first outdoor Super Bowl in a cold-weather city and it is set to be the coldest, with temperatures forecast to dip below the Super Bowl record 39 degrees Fahrenheit (four degrees Celsius) from 1972.

Both teams went an impressive 13-3 in the regular season to share the NFL's best record. And it's the first time the league's top offensive and defensive units have been pitted against each other in a Super Bowl in 23 years.

Manning could become the first starting quarterback to win a Super Bowl with two different teams, having led the Indianapolis Colts to the 2007 crown. He lost with them to New Orleans in the 2010 Super Bowl.

Uncertainty after four neck operations led the Colts to cut Manning and Denver signed him in early 2012, setting the stage for him to lead the Broncos to their first Super Bowl since John Elway took Denver to titles in 1998 and 1999.

The Seahawks lost in their

only prior Super Bowl, to Pittsburgh in 2006.

Manning brushes off the notion his legacy might rely on a victory Sunday.

"If I had my choice what my legacy would be, it would be that I played my butt off for every team that I ever played on, I was a really good teammate and I did everything I could to win," Manning said.

The 12-year age difference between Manning and Wilson will be the largest in Super Bowl history.

Wilson offers scrambling ability and can buy time for his receivers to elude defenders, a valuable asset.

"I don't know if I prefer him to run it or throw it because he is dangerous both ways," Denver cornerback Champ Bailey said. "One thing we can't let happen is him to get out of the pocket and buy some time, then we lose our guys, a breakdown in coverage.

The Seahawks are not shy about handing the ball to Lynch and having him run time and again at rivals.

"He's a guy that doesn't think he can be brought down by one person," Bailey said. "You don't see that often in games and he's tough.

"He's going to be something to deal with. You see him taking a pounding and he just keeps on going. I don't know how he does it, but it's impressive."

# VIBES 4 YOUTH presents special sport recreation course for leaders



ORANJESTAD - On Aruba for many years there are numerous volunteers working in the sports and recreation field. As of last year VIBES 4 YOUTH began officially a project to support this initiative of our volunteers. VIBES 4 YOUTH's vision is: an active barrio with activities for all children and youth, on the social, recreaction, educational and cultural fields.

VIBES 4 YOUTH wants to work together with organizations that offer training and work shops to increase the ability of volunteers, making them more effective and efficient as leaders for children and the youth. Together with the Fundacion pa nos Muchanan they want to reinforse their vision by offering a Sports Recreation course for leaders (LSR) for all persons

working with children and young people in sports and recreation.

During the course, participants will receive different material from a certified coach. There will be 8 lessons twice per week for two and a half hours each. The contents of the course are: pedagogical ability, didacte and organization.

The goal of the course is to help participants to learn how ro organize and execute physical activity excercises. In the long run this is to contribute to better health. Alongside of the theory they will also learn to reflect on their functioning as leaders in groups. Participants are also expected to do an internship.

The following are requirements for the course:

- •be at east 16 years or leader •work with children
- work with children
   practices a sport hobby
- •has time to do an internship •is very motivated

Information evening:

Tuesday February 11th from 7;00 - 9:30pm ATHA and FPNM.

To be held at SIMAR in Sabana Blanco 36. For more information contact Roseline Manna at Tel. 569-6406, coordinator of VIBES 4 YOUTH.



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